On two occasions during my visit I presented a lecture on the subject of 'An Introduction to the Gospels' at the C-TBS study course run by my good friend <u>Dan Muwanguzi</u>. The thirty or so students who attended were very keen to learn and we had a great time together. Dan and Miriam's three boys are growing up and doing well at school and little Princess will be starting school soon, too. Dan's full-time ministry - *Christian Model Ministries* continues to develop with its aim to provide Bible and vocational training and other support to churches throughout East Africa. The website address is - christianmodelministries.com



Dan, Jonathan, Mike, David, Miriam, & Princess.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

The support we give to the churches and individuals in Uganda is only possible through the kind donations we receive and so I would like to say thank you to all those who have supported the work of *Uganda Ministries* over the last 20 amazing years.

If you would like make a gift towards this work our Bank Account details are as follows:

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PRAYER POINTS:

Thank you for reading this Newsletter. Below are a number of areas I would ask you to remember in your regular prayers:

Please pray for

* <u>Dan & Miriam Muwanguzi</u> – Ongoing health needs, a growing family plus schooling costs - also the work of Christian Model Ministries.

* <u>Elizabeth House Residential Centre</u> - Daily running costs and on-going needs. What best to do with residents once they reach 18 years of age.

* <u>Pastor Steven and Susan Mugwanya</u> - God's Centre of Blessing – completion of the new building and caring for a large church family.

* <u>Pastor Richard & Sarah Gandhi</u> – Richard's Bible College course and pastoral needs of their church.

* <u>Hidden Treasures School</u> - Completion of the perimeter fence and other construction needs. The continued well-being of the staff and pupils.

* <u>Valerie Crowhurst</u> – Her on-going ministry, daily needs, health concerns and continued support.

* <u>Dave & Anona Banks</u> – Continued regular financial support and visits to encourage and promote their ongoing ministry.

* <u>The Pastors and church leaders</u> who faithfully serve God and their growing congregations despite various challenges and difficulties.

* <u>The ongoing work</u> of *Uganda Ministries* and the next planned ministry trip in 2017.



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Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus, I trust you are enjoying a good summer. I also hope that this newsletter finds you well and experiencing God's rich blessing. The work of

Uganda Ministries began in 1996 and so this year we celebrate **20 years of ministry**. Below is an update of our recent visit and other news.

MAY/JUNE 2016 VISIT:

At the end of May I travelled out to Uganda once again, this time accompanied by my good friend, Dave Banks, and we both had a very enjoyable and fruitful stay.

<u>The Annual Leadership Training</u> <u>Conference</u> – Once again the host of this conference was Pastor Steven Mugwanya, Senior Pastor of <u>God's Centre of Blessing</u> in Bweyogerere, 13km east of the capital city of Kampala. Attendance was encouraging with around 320 Pastors along with over 60 other leaders. This year the theme was 'Paths of Leadership' where we shared the challenge to become leaders who are confident in our calling and anointing and also willing to be sacrificial in our service to God and His people. At the close the delegates were presented with a certificate and the feedback I have received from them has been very positive. In recent years we have also been encouraged by the attendance at the conference of a few delegates from other African nations including, Rwanda, Tanzania, Kenya, South Sudan and Burundi.

In 2010 Pastor Steven's church began to construct a large permanent building nearby and I am pleased to say they held their first Sunday service in the new building during last years visit, and since then we have held the Leadership Conference in this great venue.



God's Centre of Blessing - new building.

This year I stayed again with my good friend, Valerie Crowhurst and it was a real blessing to renew fellowship with her and to enjoy the mutual encouragement of ministering to God's people, especially in places where 'visitors' are rare.

One major aspect of Val's ministry is the Elizabeth House Residential Centre. The centre opened in 2008 and since then has developed into a safe and peaceful haven for the special needs children and young people who live there. The compound has two girl's quarters and one for the boys in which the youngsters are cared for by 'House Mothers'. Naturally as the work has developed the daily running costs have grown. Also, once the residents are over 18 years of age we are not allowed to keep them at the centre, so we need to decide the best action to take when this situation arises. Jackson, the Centre Manager and the rest of the Care Team continue to do a great job with the youngsters in their care.

I am pleased to say that *Uganda Ministries* has been able to provide regular financial support to help with construction costs and provide staff salaries, equipment and basic food for those cared for at the centre.



Some of the residents lead us in worship.

uring my stay I also made my annual visit to Hidden Treasures Primary School in

the village of Kiyoola. Just over 8 years ago the school was built to provide a good level of schooling for 80 pupils. Since then it has grown rapidly and we currently have 237 registered pupils! Naturally, this puts a strain on classroom space and other resources but to help with this we hope to construct an extra classroom next year and also complete the

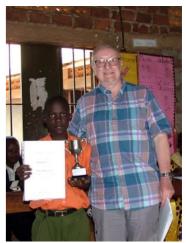
interior and exterior plastering work on the Nursery building.

The erection of a perimeter fence to secure the whole site was begun last year and is now twothirds complete. Fortunately we have recently received funds that will enable us to finish the work by the end of this year.



Hidden Treasures - classrooms + nursery (right).

During my visit to the school it was also my privilege to present the annual 'Diane Sanders Award for Most Improved Student'. This year it was awarded to a young boy, Mugisha Titus.



Presenting the Award to Titus.